

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

**MARK MONDRAGON o/b/o  
D.M. a minor child,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**vs.**

**Case No. 1:21-CV-00427 MV/KRS**

**RIO RANCHO PUBLIC SCHOOLS,  
BOARD OF EDUCATION and  
GEORGE ARCHULETA in his  
Individual and official capacity,**

**Defendants.**

**DEFENDANTS' JOINT RESPONSE TO MOTION TO MODIFY SCHEDULING  
ORDER AND EXTEND CURRENT CASE MANAGEMENT DEADLINES AND  
VACATE THE MEDIATION SET FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2021**

COME NOW Defendants, by and through undersigned counsel, hereby respond to Plaintiff's Motion to Modify Scheduling Order and Extend Current Case Management Deadlines and Vacate the Mediation Set for November 9, 2021, [Doc. 23], as follows:

1. Defendants are not opposed to the extension of the expert witness designation deadline;
2. Defendants are also in agreement that other case management deadlines will likely need to be extended including the rescheduling of the Settlement Conference set on November 9, 2021;
3. Further, based on Plaintiff's Motion in the Wherefore paragraph, Plaintiff does not identify what relief is specifically being sought.
4. Defendants respectfully request that the Court provide direction to the parties to resolve the requests made in Plaintiff's motion at the Status Conference scheduled for October 14, 2021. [Doc. 20].

5. Defendants will proceed in good faith to meet and confer with Plaintiff's counsel prior to the status conference and develop a Proposed Amended Scheduling Order for the Court's consideration.

Respectfully submitted:

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, I filed the foregoing electronically through the CM/ECF system which caused all parties of record to be served by electronic mail, as more fully reflected in the Notice of Electronic Filing.

/s/ Jerry A. Walz

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